

## 40 U. S. TROOPERS KILLED IN MEXICO

NEGRO CAVALRY FROM PERSHING'S FORCE IN FIGHT WITH CARRANZA SOLDIERS.

### GEN. GOMEZ REPORTED SLAIN

Mexican Leader Among Victims in Ambuscade of Americans—Confiscated Mexican Machine Gun Does Deadly Work.

El Paso, Tex.—A detachment of the Tenth Cavalry of the United States punitive expedition under Brig. Gen. J. J. Pershing in Mexico was ambushed June 21 by a vastly superior force of Mexicans in the hamlet of Carrizal, nine miles from Villa Ahumada, and after a fierce fight lasting two hours the Americans withdrew.

Reports from both American and Mexican sides state that 40 American soldiers were killed in the first belch of machine guns concealed on the flat roofs of the adobe houses. The cavalry withdrew, reformed and attacked the ambuscade. After two hours and upon a realization that they were greatly outnumbered, the Americans withdrew.

Seventeen Americans are declared by Mexican officials to have been captured and to have been hurried to Chihuahua City under adequate guard. A machine gun used by the Mexicans is reported to have done heavy execution.

The scene of the fight was just nine miles southwest of Villa Ahumada, the Mexican field headquarters in Northern Chihuahua, and the clash occurred only a few hours after President Wilson's 6,000-word note warning Carranza that the "gravest consequences" would follow an attack upon American troops had gone forward.

The Americans engaged are thought to have been members of a troop from the Tenth Cavalry, a negro regiment, returning from a scouting trip to Guzman. The size of the Mexican force, whose commander, Gen. Felix Gomez, was killed, is not known.

News of the battle was received in Juarez by Gen. Francisco Gonzales, Carranza commander of the military zone of the border. For some reason Gen. Gonzales kept the story secret until an American, J. C. Hubble, returning to the border from the interior, brought to El Paso the news that he had seen numbers of Mexican dead along the Mexican Central Railroad tracks at Villa Ahumada and had been told that there had been an encounter.

In Mexico City extra editions of the newspapers and bulletins posted about the city told of the defeat of American troops at what is styled "the battle of Carrizal." The Americans are declared to have been dispersed and 17 prisoners captured.

The official version of the clash says that the Americans attempted to capture the railroad station at Carrizal and were engaged by Gen. Felix Gomez, who was in command of the Carranza garrison. Gen. Gomez was killed in the battle. It is announced that among the prisoners was an American interpreter, who confessed, it is claimed, that the American commander was the aggressor.

### WILL PROTECT AMERICANS.

Secretary Daniels Says Marines Will Be Landed If Necessary.

New York.—American marines will be landed in Mexico whenever there is occasion to protect American citizens, Secretary Daniels has said here. "But there will be no promiscuous landing of marines there," he added.

"There is no present intention to call out the Atlantic fleet," he added, "because the cruisers and smaller boats should be able to cope with the situation from the standpoint of the navy."

### ULTIMATUM TO U. S.

Governor of Sinaloa Has Declared War On Uncle Sam.

San Diego, Cal.—An ultimatum amounting practically to a declaration of war against the United States has been served on Commander Arthur G. Kavanaugh of the gunboat Annapolis by Gen. Flores, Carranza governor of Sinaloa, according to a radio-gram sent from the Annapolis at Mazatlan and received here by Admiral Winslow, commander of the Pacific fleet.

### Naval Auxiliaries Ready.

Washington.—Twenty vessels in the coast guard service are being made ready for use as naval auxiliaries in case they are called on for Mexican duty. Each cutter is now armed with four guns.

### Call Comes; Leaves Bride.

Chicago, Ill.—The call to arms sent to the Illinois militia has torn Sergt. J. M. Dickinson, son of former Secretary of War Dickinson, of Tennessee from his bride, with the honeymoon just begun. Sergt. Dickinson, who belongs to Battery C, Illinois national guard, was married in Cincinnati Saturday.

A telegram reached him June 19 and brought him home to join his company.

## WAR CLOUD GROWS DARKER

Carranza Garrison at Juarez City Entrenched to Resist U. S. Force—Mexican Troops Are Moving.

El Paso, Texas.—The warlike spirit from the Mexican side of the border is growing louder and more menacing as the hours go by. Carranza troops have worked hard, throwing up earth fortifications all the south end of the international bridge. Another large force has entrenched across the Rio Grande from Yaleta, 10 miles south of El Paso.

An American believed to be a soldier was shot by snipers from Juarez while bathing in the river near the Santa Fe bridge. Gen. Bell has ordered an investigation to establish the identity of the victim.

A refugee train from Chihuahua brought out a number of foreigners, who reported passing seven troop trains loaded to the guards with Mexican soldiers at Montezuma on the Mexican Central. The trains were moving in the direction of Juarez and are expected to arrive during the night.

Gen. Francisco Serrano, chief of staff to Minister of War Obregon in Mexico City, has established headquarters in Juarez and assumed full command of the Carranza forces in this district.

The Mexican Northwestern railroad from Chihuahua City to Madera, has been commandeered by Gen. Jacinto Trevino for troop movements to the westward. This is accepted by the American military authorities as verification of the plan to attack Gen. Pershing's southern base and positions in the vicinity of Namiquipa.

The Mexican column, estimated at 8,000 men, which started through the canyon from Villa Ahumada in the direction of the American line of communication at El Valle, is still proceeding slowly westward. Gen. Pershing is said to have sent out a large cavalry guard to check this advance toward his lines. A report of a clash between the two forces at any time would not be a surprise. The military authorities are satisfied, however, that the American forces will be able to protect themselves.

## AUSTRIANS RETREAT HASTILY

Divided Army Seriously Endangered Following Split of Forces When Czernowitz Is Surrendered.

London.—The Russians are pressing close on the Austrians' rear in Bukovina. The Austrians were compelled to retreat hastily after the fall of Czernowitz. According to a Petrograd correspondent, the Russians advanced 15 miles in one day southward from Czernowitz, and the army of Gen. Pflanzer is believed to have been split into two or more segments.

It is stated that the Austrians and Germans have sent reinforcements to the southwestern front from the Italian, French and Balkan war zones, as well as from the Pines and Baranovichi regions. The Germans arrived too late at the Lutsik front to relieve the Austrians, having reached this region three days after the beginning of Gen. Brusiloff's drive.

Gen. Kaledines is pressing westward to the south of Vladimir-Volynski with the intention of cutting his opponents' communications between Kovel and Lemberg. His advance, if maintained, would enable him to block this line at a point between Vladimir-Volynski and Sokal. Moreover, the extension southward of Gen. Kaledines' semi-circle front promises a junction with the army operating in the direction of Lemberg from the region of Borsdy.

### AMERICANS CONCENTRATE.

Pershing Redeploys Force Following Fight at Carrizal.

Columbus, N. M.—Gen. Pershing, the American expeditionary commander, is redispersing his entire force as a result of the clash on June 21 with Carranza troops at Carrizal, according to reports from the field. Heavy forces ready for immediate action are being concentrated at Namiquipa, 200 miles south of the border, and at Colonia Dublan, 120 miles south.

Dispatches said also that American scouting patrols have penetrated the Santa Clara Canyon, about 35 miles directly east of Namiquipa.

### GREEK CABINET QUILTS.

It Is Believed Entirely New Ministry Will Be Composed.

London.—An Athens dispatch says that Premier Skouloudis has handed his resignation and those of his fellow ministers to the king, who immediately sent for former Premier Zaimis. It is believed a member of the late cabinet will be included in the Zaimis ministry.

### Food Scarce in Turkey.

New York.—Sixteen Americans who said they had left Constantinople owing to a scarcity of food supplies and because the native population had evinced strong antipathy for all English speaking persons, have arrived here as passengers on the Danish steamship Oscar II. from Scandinavian ports.

### Express Strike Off.

Chicago.—Express drivers' strike, which has been on for several weeks, has been called.

## GREECE YIELDS TO ALLIES ULTIMATUM

ENTENTE POWERS AS "PROTECTOR" MAKE STRINGENT DEMANDS UPON KING.

### CABINET MEMBERS RESIGN

Foreign Premier Zaimis Is To Form a New Ministry—Every Demand of the Allies Will Probably Be Met.

Athens.—Under heavy pressure from the entente powers, Greece has accepted without reserve demands presented in a joint note by Great Britain, France and Russia.

At the most critical moment Greece was without a government. Premier Skouloudis announced to the chamber of deputies the resignation of himself and his associates in the cabinet and the failure for the present to obtain successors to them.

M. Skouloudis refused to receive the communication from the entente powers on the ground that no Greek cabinet existed, as the note was deposited at the foreign office while he was on his way back from the residence of the king, where he presented the resignation of the ministry. On this account, he explained, he could not discuss the demands.

Before it became known that Greece had decided to yield, it was said in government circles that it would be an impossibility to accede to the demands.

The action of the entente came on one of the hottest days in years. The king was at Chateau Tauroy; shops were closed and the ministries were deserted when the blow fell. The people were unaware what had occurred until well on toward evening, when newspapers and hand bills made known the text of the demands.

Meanwhile King Constantine returned hastily. All troops in the city were ordered under arms. The deputies were summoned to the chamber, where Premier Skouloudis announced that he had resigned. The chamber adjourned immediately, cheering the retiring ministers.

Former Premier Zaimis is to form a new ministry.

The text of the note delivered to Greece by representatives of Great Britain, France and Russia, which under the protocol of London assumed protection of the kingdom of Greece, in part, follows:

"The three guaranteeing powers do not require Greece to abandon her neutrality. They give striking proof of this by advancing primarily a demand for demobilization. They have, however, certain complaints against the Greek government, whose attitude is not one of loyal neutrality."

### AUSTRIAN ARMY SURROUNDED.

Capture of Big Force Near Roumanian Frontier Is Imminent.

London.—The Russian official announcement of the capture of Radauia, a city of 12,000 inhabitants, 30 miles south of Czernowitz and 10 miles from the Roumanian frontier, shows how actively Gen. Letchitzky is pursuing the broken Austrian forces. According to a special dispatch from Petrograd, nothing but a miracle can avert the destruction of Gen. Pflanzer's army, as Gen. Letchitzky now holds a stretch of 20 miles on the Sereth River.

According to a report from Rome an Austrian army under Gen. Baltin is shut up in the angle of the frontier near the town of Sereth completely surrounded.

### Lower California Neutral.

San Antonio, Tex.—The report that Gov. Esteban Cantu of Lower California is preparing to secede from Mexico and may urge the United States to admit Lower California into the Union has been brought here by Joaquin Villalobos, an Americanized Mexican who has just returned from that part of Mexico. Villalobos said that Cantu had issued a proclamation to the effect that in the event of war between the United States and Mexico, Lower California would be neutral.

### Has Six Sons With Colors.

Baltimore.—Mrs. Mary Wolfe, of this city, does not sing "I Didn't Raise My Boy to Be a Soldier." Of her 14 sons, all living, six now wear the uniform of United States soldiers. Two are with the Twelfth Cavalry in Mexico, one is with the Twelfth Artillery in Vermont, and three are members of the Fourth Regiment, Maryland National Guard.

### Mexicans Mass at Lomas.

Nogales, Ariz.—Reports that Mexican troops had arrived at Lomas, four miles south of Nogales, with seven pieces of artillery, and that several thousand Mexican cavalry had been massed in a position to threaten the Santa Cruz Valley caused wires of army officers attached to the 1,500 regulars here to leave for northern points. Army officers in Nogales, in no way alarmed, are preparing for a possible Mexican cavalry raid up the Santa Cruz Valley, between Nogales and Tucson.

## CONSIDER VOLUNTEER CALL

Administration Has Plan For Putting 500,000 Extra Men in Field—Rush Guard To Border.

Washington.—The administration is considering a call for 500,000 volunteers.

Secretary of War Baker, who attended the cabinet meeting June 20, declined to make any statement on the subject, but high officers said an announcement of the plan waits upon news from Gen. Pershing's headquarters.

Officials declared there are only two alternatives for Carranza. Either he will submit tamely to threats of physical force contained in Secretary Lansing's note or he will call on all Mexicans to make war on the United States.

In the first event the federal army now in Mexico or along the border, supplemented by the 100,000 or more national guard troops to go there, will be sufficient to carry out any further waiting and watching policy.

In the second event, officials have decided, it will require probably half a million more men to face the situation in Mexico. Reports from Gen. Pershing stated that Mexican people within the sphere of influence of the American army are opposed to Carranza. This condition does not obtain, it was admitted, in territory really controlled by Carranza.

Secretary of War Baker will confer with President Wilson on the disposition of the national guard.

It was stated by a high authority that the national guard of New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio and Wisconsin and possibly Illinois, will be the first to be sent to the border.

The militia of those states was selected, it was stated, because of their perfect equipment and readiness for moving.

Maj. Gen. Tasker H. Bliss, chief of the mobile army division, and Brig. Gen. H. P. McCain, adjutant-general, have held a conference at which it is believed they planned orders for portions of the militia to start for the border at once.

## NO CHANGE IN U. S. POLICY

Carrizal Fight Does Not Materially Affect Mexican Situation—Rush National Guard Mobilization.

Washington.—Both the United States government and the de facto authorities of Mexico apparently hope to treat the clash at Carrizal as an incident aggravating strained relations, but not of itself likely to precipitate general hostilities. This fact stood out of many developments in the Mexican crisis.

So far as the Washington administration is concerned, no final decision can be reached until President Wilson has received a report on the fight from American army officers. All information so far has come from Mexican sources.

Secretary Baker has telegraphed the state governors asking how soon the national guard organizations in his state could be ready for muster into the federal service.

Orders have gone from the War Department to Gen. Barry at Chicago commanding the central department, and Gen. Bell at San Francisco, commanding the western department, directing that as soon as 5,000 national guardsmen have been mustered into the federal service in either department they shall be dispatched to the border.

Events are moving swiftly. Preparations by the War Department for possible war with Mexico are going forward rapidly. At the same time there came hints that Gen. Carranza had been almost persuaded by European influences not to persist in a cause certain to bring on a conflict.

### MEXICAN CONSCRIPTION.

Penalty Will Be Death for Failure to Volunteer, Carranza Rules.

San Antonio, Texas.—In Laredo it is reported from sources in Nuevo Laredo regarded as reliable that Carranza has issued a decree calling upon all males between the ages of 15 and 30 years to volunteer for army service. Failure to volunteer, the decree states, will subject the individual to conscription, with death the penalty of effort to evade conscription.

It is stated also that Carranza has instructed de la Garza, commanding at Nuevo Laredo, to make every effort to prevent bandits from crossing into the United States.

### American Murdered.

Brownsville, Texas.—The body of William Browne, a brother of Mayor Albert Browne of this city, has been found in the Rio Grande on the Mexican side, 10 miles south of Matamoros. He is believed to have been murdered and the body thrown into the river.

### Famous Aviator Reported Killed.

London.—Lieut. Immelmann, the famous German aviator, is reported to have been killed. Lieut. Immelmann had destroyed more aeroplanes of the allies than any other German aviator, except Capt. Boelke, who has been reported killed by Roger Ribiere, a French aviator. According to the German army headquarters report, Immelmann up to May of this year had accounted for 15 hostile aeroplanes, while Capt. Boelke was officially credited with bringing down 18.

## TENNESSEE TROOPS CALLED TO COLORS

NATIONAL GUARDSMEN ARE BUSY RECRUITING COMPANIES TO WAR STRENGTH.

### TO MOBILIZE AT NASHVILLE

Over 2,000 State Soldiers Will Probably Be Sent To Mexican Border For Service—News Over the State.

Nashville.—Every military organization in the Tennessee National Guard has begun active work of daily drilling. There will be daily drills until orders are received from Adj. Gen. Charles B. Rogan to mobilize in Cumberland Park in Nashville, which probably will not be before Saturday, June 24, according to a statement given out by Gen. Rogan.

Gen. Rogan said that the order to mobilize will not be given until the camp is in readiness to care for at least 2,000 men. To mobilize the troops immediately, before complete arrangements are made to care for them, would bring about insanitary conditions that would prove fatal to the health of the camp. He said that by waiting a few days to mobilize it can be done with less confusion and that time will be saved in getting the troops ready to move to the border.

A lieutenant in each company and troop in the state has been assigned to recruiting duty and are actively engaged in enlisting to the required war strength of 150.

### WILSON AT KNOXVILLE.

Secretary of Labor Delivers An Address On Americanism.

Knoxville.—Coming here from Hale Springs, where he visited the Printing Pressmen's convention, Secretary of Labor Wilson spoke here June 19 under the auspices of the Central Labor Union. His subject was "Americanism As It Relates to the Department of Labor." The secretary delighted a large audience with a detailed explanation of the workings of his department and its various bureaus.

His definition of Americanism was: "It is the complete knowledge of and a complete sympathy with the ideas of government as laid down in the Declaration of Independence and in the Constitution of the United States, which declares that all men are free and equal."

### HILL GETS PLACE AGAIN.

Former Democratic Chairman Is Re-elected Over Rye's Protest.

Nashville.—L. D. Hill of Sparta, Tenn., was re-elected chairman of the state Democratic executive committee June 19 by a vote of 12 to 6 over Thad A. Cox of East Tennessee.

Cox was the personal choice of Gov. Rye, and his defeat is a rebuff to the governor. As chairman of the executive committee, Hill becomes manager of the November campaign for the Democratic party.

Mr. Cox of Johnson City was nominated by S. H. Williams. B. H. McGinnis nominated Mr. Hill.

### YOUNG GIRL DROWNED.

Unidentified Body Is Found Floating Down River at Memphis.

Memphis.—The body of a 12-year-old white girl, who had apparently been drowned about ten days, was found floating down the river at the foot of Illinois avenue by George Rose, an employee of the Pennsylvania Steel Company, at work on the new bridge.

The body was in such a badly decomposed state that no description of the child's features could be gained.

### Federal Building Complete.

Covington.—Postmaster R. H. Green formally opened the new postoffice building here June 19 by giving a reception. The postoffice building complete will cost about \$50,000. Government Inspector N. V. Perry has accepted the building on behalf of the government from the building contractor, Algernon Blair, of Montgomery, Ala. Postmaster Green stated that the furniture would be placed in the building probably about the middle of July and that he expected to occupy it as a postoffice about the first of August.

### \$12,500 For Child's Death.

Nashville.—A verdict of \$12,500 was rendered in the circuit court here in the case of William H. Fox, administrator, vs. Leslie Cheek. The suit grew out of the striking of a child, Margaret Fox, by the automobile of Mr. Cheek, driven by a negro chauffeur, resulting subsequently in the death of the child. The accident occurred several months ago.

### Some Strawberry Business.

Cleveland.—During the past six weeks a big preserving company has paid out \$10,000 for strawberries delivered at a local packing plant. These berries were made into a heavy syrup by a cooking process and filled \$75 barrels. More than \$3,000 was paid out for labor in gathering, hauling, cooking, etc., making more than \$13,000 as total expenditure here. This company has contracted for the entire output of strawberries in this county next year.

## EDGINGTON FACES CRIMINAL PROCESS

IMPEACHED JUDGE IS ARRESTED ON CHARGE OF ACCEPTING BRIBE.

### GIVES BOND FOR \$5,000

Warrant Is Sworn Out By Shelby County Attorney General Hunter Wilson—News of Interest Over State.

Memphis.—Criminal proceedings against Judge Jesse Edgington, convicted under impeachment proceedings by the state senate, were instituted here on June 21, when Attorney General Hunter Wilson swore out a warrant against the former jurist charging solicitation and acceptance of a bribe from Pete Monteverde, brewery agent.

The warrant was placed in the hands of a deputy sheriff. A telephone message brought Judge Edgington to the magistrate's office, where H. T. Holman, who, with H. C. True, appeared as counsel for Edgington before the high court of impeachment, and F. E. Miller were waiting for him. He waived examination and was held in the sum of \$5,000 for the grand jury.

F. E. Miller and John T. Walsh went bail for Judge Edgington for his appearance before the criminal court.

The penalty for accepting a bribe is three to twenty-one years in the state penitentiary.

### WILL PAY MILITIAMEN.

Memphis Firms Announce Full Pay for Enlisted Employees.

Memphis.—Following the call of the Tennessee militia for Mexican border service many Memphis firms are making patriotic announcements that none of their employees would lose their positions by reason of their enlistment, but, to the contrary, would be paid during their absence.

John Wade & Sons Company posted a notice to employees agreeing to pay full salaries for time absent from duties to all men who go to the front with the national guard. The Memphis Street Railway Company informed its men that none of them would lose positions now held with the company in the event they were called out for border duty. Lemmon & Gale, wholesale dry goods dealers, will give a year's salary and hold open jobs of employees who enlist, it was announced.

Every employee of Crane & Co. who goes to the front will be promoted. The promotion, it was explained, will be in addition to full pay during absence of the employee.

The Goodbar Shoe Company and a number of other firms have joined the patriotic movement.

### FIRE NEIGHBOR'S HOUSE.

Tennesseean Shot While Applying a Torch for Revenge.

Dayton.—Darius Morgan, a Rhea County farmer, went gunning for Earl Jeffrey, who, Morgans claimed, had set fire to his home and attempted to burn his barn. Jeffrey received three loads of shot from a repeater, but is only slightly injured.

He was arrested and confessed to setting fire to the house. Morgan and his wife and child narrowly escaped death in the fire. Morgan is held on a charge of felonious assault. The parties are farmers living near Dayton. Jeffrey says his motive for burning Morgans' home was revenge. He claims he was swindled in a land deal.

### DYER ALLOWED BAIL.

Alleged Slayer of Rutherford County Girl Signs \$7,500 Bond.

Murfreesboro.—John Dyer, the alleged murderer of Miss Mollie Watson, near Windrow, in the western part of this county, on June 8, has been released from the county jail under a bond of \$7,500 for his appearance to await the action of the grand jury, which now is in session. The abandonment by the state of intention to exhumate the body of the dead woman for examination has resulted in the defense taking up the disinterment of the remains for a rigid examination. No additional arrests have yet been made.

### PYTHIANS IN SESSION.

Grand Lodge Opens Forty-Fifth Convention at Ovoca.

Ovoca.—The forty-fifth annual convention of the grand lodge, Knights of Pythias of Tennessee, opened at Ovoca June 21, with about 150 Pythians, grand lodge officers, representatives and visitors in attendance. The meetings are presided over by Grand Chancellor S. S. Dibrell.

### Go To Naval Academy.

Jackson.—Roger Murray, son of Attorney and Mrs. T. J. Murray of Jackson, has been given an appointment to the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis by Representative T. W. Sims. He has gone to Annapolis to enter a training school to prepare for his entrance examinations.

### Sunday School Convention.

Dyersburg.—There will be a joint convention of all the Sunday schools of West Tennessee in the Methodist Church in Dyersburg, beginning June 27 and ending June 29.